

**c.) Remarks**

Claims 1-118 are pending in the application.

By this preliminary amendment Applicants cancel Claims 1-4, 9-11, 16, 21-22, 26-28, 30, 32-  
5 34, 38-43, 49-61, 68-74, 88, 98, 100, 104-107, 110, 113-115, and 117-118.

Claims 5-8, 12-15, 17-20, 23-25, 29, 31, 35-37, 44-48, 62-67, 75-85, 87, 89, 90-97, 99, 101-103,  
108-109, 111-112, and 116 met the criteria of patentability of PCT Art. 33(1)-(4). They have been  
amended only to be put in the independent format where necessary and to list the proper claim  
10 dependency in light of the preliminary amendment.

Abstract was amended to remove duplicate words.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of  
15 Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact  
the undersigned.

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